where from \$50,000 to \$200,000 for a bauble now haggle over the price of jewels of one-

never a time before when the market was

so drugged with yachts. Handsome craft

can be rented or bought on terms ridicu-

lously low as compared with those that prevailed two years ago, when people who

were rich with paper profits were spending

their money recklessly. The reported transfer of Thomas W. Lawson's big steam

yacht to H. H. Rogers recently attracted a

great deal of attention, owing to the prom-

inence of the men, but really this has be-

come a very common incident. The reason

for the cessation of the lavish expenditure of money on luxuries and means of pleasure are obvious enough. Speculative stock

values have undergone a shrinkage during the past nine months of many hundreds of

millions of dollars and it would be impossi-

ble to estimate in figures that would convey

any meaning to the lay mind the aggregate of paper profits that have been swept away.

Losses, whether real or on paper, make

people conservative.



STOCK EXCHANGE AGRICULTURISTS FEAR A SHORTAGE OF CORN.

> They Think the Prospects Are Unpromising and Will Sell Stocks Short and Buy Corn Options.

MONEY STRINGENCY UNLIKELY

MARKED DECLINE OF THE SPECU-LATIVE CRAZE IN WALL STREET,

Heavy Losses of the Gates Crowd or the Chicago Derby-The Transfer of Colorado Fuel and Iron.

be inevitable, considering the average

It is an axiomatic saying that the unex-

pected is forever happening in Wall street

into the Wall-street mind. Although brok-

ers are carrying fewer stocks than at any

51/2 per cent. to carry them over the end of

this year. They have no use for the mone;

2 to 3 per cent. The difference is their loss

of course, but they feel that it is worth it

to be protected against tight money this

coming autumn. It is to be noticed that

there is an unlimited supply of time money

at 51/2 per cent. carrying into January and

February of next year. There is strong

been fostering the apprehension of a mone-

gency this autumn. The subsequent decline

of crop prospects, however, has greatly

changed the outlook, and those who have

been stocking up high-priced money are in

a fair way to see their calculations go

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

There has been a good deal of gossip in Wall street this week about the losses sustained by the Western speculative contingent on the Derby racing event at Chicago. The Gates crowd went in a body from here in a special car. It backed Drake's favorite Savable very heavy and was confident of success. One Wall-street friend who went along in the special car, a plunger, is said to have dropped \$25,000. The losses of the Gates crowd proper are estimated at NEW YORK, June 27 .- The state of th from \$200,000 to \$300,000. Whatever else may weather is a very serious topic in Wall be said of the Gates contingent, the men composing it are good losers. They would street just now. There is time yet for it to have to be in order to make the money they mend and partially redeem the outlook, but have made. No crowd of pikers or hard losers could have been as successful as this the crop prospects at the moment are in-Gates crowd has been in the stock market. deed dubious. Corn is from four to five It has suffered some very hard knocks, but weeks late. From the point of railroad tonhas always taken them so coolly as to nage it is the most important crop of all. excite the admiration even of those who disapprove of its manipulative and specula-It is too early to predict its failure this tive methods. Nobody ever knows for sure year, but on the very best terms now poswhether the Gates party is winning or lossible corn will be ripening eighty or ninety ing, and you could never tell by its demeanor whether the game was running for days hence, with killing frosts nightly probable. A short yield of corn seems to

Its advice is to sell stocks short and is that the Standard Oil crowd, which is en days ago on a report that notes amount-They did not, and it was explained afterwards, vaguely, that the trouble arose from o the effect that the Osgood faction favored receivership on the theory that it would \$600,000. Then the short interest was stock and that the Weil crowd was also a dangerous stock for an outside operator n a special car to take control, only to be was simply dazing. The Gates faction came back, sold out its stock, and has been bearmorally certain that Osgood would be by a coalition of the Gould and Harsaved himself again by setting the opposiion at strife with itself and seizing com-

quarreling. Colorado Fuel and Iron has

n exceedingly valuable property. One day

The handing over of the Colorado Fuel

its stock will be worth a great deal more than it is now selling for. It was an object of distrust, however, while the question of ontrol was unsettled. The stock market appears to be awaiting fresh impulse. Speculation has become about as stupid as it could be. For more row that even short stocks could not be ish speculation to sell stocks first and debreaking prices. The bear party, therefore, has been desiring an advance on which to put out stocks. The large short interest covered, and the shrewdest observers on awhile and that the market will continue in the street, has been talking very bullish that he is bulling stocks, but some of the old-timers are skeptical about it on the ground that if Mr. Keene were really bullas he could without saying anything to anyseen them before. There was some reason | body. It is generally a safe assumption that Mr. Keene is doing the opposite of then to look forward to a monetary strin- what he seems to be doing, and when he

W. G. NICHOLAS. TWO MINISTERS.

One Who Set a Christian Example and

One Who Did Not.

New York Evening Post. In only one respect was the Wilmington atrocity unlike others of its kind: it brought out very sharply two kinds of spiritual leadthere was talk of lynching the colored raysher, issued an open letter, urging that all processes of the law. This was done in the office in time of moral crisis. Incidentally it was a deed that should have brought home to many the efficacy of the Christian religion in supreme affliction. It was some mitigation of the horrible affair that the person most deeply stricken had never flinched from his duty as a citizen and minister of Christ. This should be remembered, when

the rest has been lost in the oblivion of forgotten shame. But before that shame is forgotten we should look on another type of spiritual leader; not merely to condemn him whose frivolous grasping at the sensation of the hour makes him a moral accomplice of the crime of that community to which he nalism. Here was the leader of his people in righteousness kindling the fire of torture. to that class of clergymen who do not seek first the kingdom of heaven and its right- railroad authorities to advance dividend eousness. It was they who marred the dig- rates. nity of a nation's mourning for its President by the wildest and most injudicious demands for vengeance upon all who were or were not concerned in the assassination. Such false shepherds are a small minority of the American clergy, but they are also a blatant and even a dangerous minority. If the miserable plight of the Wilmington clergyman who forgot the sanctity of his church and of a colleague's affliction should sober others of his class, some good would

ice, no matter how large the dining party opened in welcome,

that business has fallen off heavily within the past nine months. Customers who thought nothing formerly of paying any-

fifth those values. There was, perhaps, DEALINGS HAVE BEEN LIGHT AND ON A DECLINING BASIS.

> Some Recovery During the Short Ses sion of Saturday-Industrials Constitute the Market's Weak Point.

NEW YORK, June 27 .- To-day's stock market was narrow and insignificant, as for several days past. Professional traders put up prices slightly on the score of the addition of \$2,824,275 to the surplus of the banks, which is practically satisfactory in view of the approach of the July 1 settlements. The Pennsylvania stock subscription seems to have figured both in the loan and cash items of the bank statement. The increase in cash of \$6,309,400 is between four and five millions larger than was estimated. Some large receipts from Philadelphia in connection with the Pennsylvania subscription helped to this result, and the week's averages probably had the advantage also of some of last week's receipts which came too late to figure in last week's statement. The large loan increase of \$8,925,800 is attributed to the Pennsylvania operation, but it is believed that the consummation of the Hocking Valley control also figures in the item. Authoritative information of the Hocking Valley settlement is not forthcoming, but the common assumption is that Lake Shore figures in the new control, possibly in company with Pennsylvania and some of its affiliated companies. Pennsylvania officials express confidence that an insignificant amount, if any, of the new stock will be left for the underwriting syndicate to take over, and a large proportion of the and Iron Company to the Standard Oil subscriptions seem to be paid up in full incrowd was not so much of a surprise as | stead of the 50 per cent. installment which the prompt manner in which Chairman J. is required. The rise of the quotation for of a disaster. Wheat prospects are some- C. Osgood surrendered the property into the stock to 1241/2 and the narrowing of the what more promising, but in the sections | the upbuilding of which he had put the | gap between the old stock and the certifiwhere harvesting of winter wheat is now better part of his business life. There is cates of the new stock were due to the sucin progress the yield and quality are dis- reason to believe that he played every card cess of the subscription. The general mar-

> pressure of liquidation which caused the stocks on the part of a waiting investment tion of last week's market.

> lodge fresh stock by offering down prices. so wide a decline from the last quoted sale, sometimes months preceding, as to give an anxious concern to the holders security-holding public in general as well of suits by dissatisfied participants in some of these organizations, and the ugly charges of misrepresentation and unfounded claims of conditions on which the sale alive a feeling of disgust and suspension toward the whole class of securities, based so freely set afloat in the last few years. It was hoped that the fixing of the United States Steel Corporation of it schedule of with the corporation of some large orders for steel rails for 1904 delivery would clear up the feeling of doubt over the future stastock market has failed to reflect any such a waiting attitude by consumers in that factor in this tendency. So has been the notable liquidation of United States Steel second mortgage bonds, carrying them to the lowest price since they were issued. The general supposition that this selling was due to a special cause involving the payment of large maturing loans did not

seem to relieve the depressing influence it The market has had to contend also with lin and Paris, which was influential on speculative sentiment in view of the low state of the bank surplus in New York and the near approach of the July 1 requirements. The important operation of the payment of subscriptions for the new Pennsylvania stock has also overhung the market. The 50 per cent, installment of subscriptions due to-day called for \$45,000,000, but subscribers had the privilege to pay their subscriptions in full and it is reported that many have done so, thus adding to the money market requirements for the operation. The payment of subscriptions by father of the murdered girl, learning that | foreign stockholders of Pennsylvania has created a supply of exchange sufficient to affect the exchange market and to cause good citizens should wait upon the orderly a decline in rates from the gold export rate late in the week. The money market, spirit of his Master. It was also an act of heroic and enlightened citizenship; and it illustrated the great value of the pastoral have been shaded. The stock market has made practically no demands on the money market and the demands from other sources seem to be very light. The news of the crops has not been a sustaining force for prices of stocks, and the rather feverish fluctuations in the cotton and cereal markets, with the active speculation in progress there, have been perceptibly but faintly reflected in stocks. The fact of this active speculation in staples causes a degree of caution in accepting reports of crop conditions, but the want of rains in the spring wheat belt, the report of too much moisture for winter wheat and

crops have discouraged holders of railroad should have preached the gospel of peace, stocks in the regions affected. Reports but to marvel at a man of God deliberately of railroad earnings have been good, both employing the methods of the baser jour- of gross earnings for June and of the net earnings for earlier periods. The continuing increase thus shown over the pre-We have his explanation that he meant no vious high level of earnings has been made harm, and we have no means of measuring | the occasion of some agitation of the questhe effect of the sermon in which he tion of increases of dividend disbursements. preached lawless vengeance; but no one But this agitation is regarded as of stock can resist the conclusion that he belongs market origin largely, and there is no deepgrounded expectation of a movement among

> The dealings in bonds have been largely in the more speculative issues and the important price movements have been in convertible bonds, in sympathy with the stocks. United States new fours, coupon, advanced 14 per cent., as compared with the closing call of last week. Following are Saturday's share sales and the recorded price changes:

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Money Rates Abroad.

LONDON .- Money, 24/6/3 per cent.; dis counts, 256234. Consols, 91% PARIS.-Three per cent, rentes 96f 76c for the account. Exchange on London 25f 131/20 BERLIN.-Exchange on London, 201 40pf for checks. Discount rates, short bills (for settlement) 41/2 per cent.; three months' bills, 314.

Markets for Silver. NEW YORK.-Bar silver, 52%c; Mexican dollars, 4lc.

LONDON .- Silver bars, 24%d an ounce, Specie and Merchandise Movement. NEW YORK, June 27.-Imports of merchandise and dry goods at the port of New York for the week were valued at \$10,073,417. Imports of specie for the week were \$398,-230 in gold and \$3,142 in silver. Exports of specie were \$4,250,429 in gold

and \$455,440 in silver. Treasury Statement.

55% | exclusive of the \$150,000,000 gold reserve 1 the division of redemption, shows: 

PRIVATE WIRE ADVICES.

Situation Is More Encouraging, but Real Developments Are Few.

[Meyer & Wiser's Telegram.] NEW YORK, June 27 .- There was a more encouraging tone in the stock market today in the early trading. It was slightly more active and prices were fractionally nigher. It could not be said that any increase in commission house business was reflected, but the elimination of the Pennsylvania incident as a disturbing factor, provocative of raids, gave inspiration to a somewhat better sentiment. That this was not more amply shown in the days dealness, but it is significant to a small degree

of a latent power that will eventually make for better prices. Primarily the point of interest to-day was the bank statement. Taking results general it was very good, an increase of \$2,843,855 in reserve being shown, but until loans are brought below deposits the statement will not reflect an absolutely healthy condition. first hour to-day stocks maintain strong tone. Pennsylvania acted well, evidently supported, and bull tips were fro issue is assured. New York alone has taken \$46,000,000 on Friday. Reading was strong and in good demand. Earnings and dividend developments will bear watching The Gould issues were firm. Erie was strong on its magnificent showing of earnings. Copper was advanced quite Insiders are buying this stock. After the first hour prices sagged and the market be came dull and uninteresting. The early ad vances were lost to a great extent and the bank statement had little effect.

> Good Rally at All Points. [Porterfield & Co.'s Telegram.]

NEW YORK, June 27 .- The market day fully demonstrated how easily an elithe views expressed lately. Considering that nearly every leading broker was spending the day at summer resorts, the advance is more than encouraging. Opening prices were at about yesterday's closing figcurrent of strength. The buying was mod-erate, with a natural display of caution, but the trend was upward, and on the publication of the bank statement considerable activity followed, with the leading stocks making gains of a full point or more. Yes-terday's movement clearly defined the posiand pools declared themselves around 123 and scored a substantial advance. St. Paul Atchison and the other grangers were wel supported. Reports of great damage to crops was taken gingerly and have more than been discounted. The Steel issues showed good rallying powers, closing at the extreme top price of the day.

WEEKLY BANK STATEMENT.

Increase in Cash Much Larger than the Preliminary Estimates

NEW YORK, June 27 .- The statement of averages for the clearing house banks of

Deposits .......... 903,719,800 Inc... Circulation ....... 44,088,600 Inc... The Financier says: "The official state-

ment of the New York associated banks last week was unexpectedly favorable as regards cash gains, these being \$6,305,000. upon the basis of the traceable movements of money during the week was only \$3,806,-900. The difference between the estimated and the actual gains may be accounted for by the fact that the previous week's state-ment failed to show the estimated increase in cash by \$3,961,600, the actual gain being \$1,359,800, while the preliminary repositions an estimated increase of \$5,321. Moreover, last week's estimates of the movements of money took into account full sum of the week's exports to Europ or \$4,096,504, while, under the average system of the clearing house, not more than half this amount was reported. Therefore, the bringing over from the previous week into last week of the unreported increase in cash and the averaging of last week's shipments of gold will, in great part, explain the discrepancy above noted Loans were increased last week by \$8,925,800, which may be accounted for by the fact that some of the money which was account ed by the banks in anticipation of the pay-ments for July interest and dividends was loaned in the market, and presumably loans were also increased through operations in connection with subscriptions for the new Pennsylvania stock. Deposits were augmented by \$13,940,500, which amount is less by \$1,284,700 than the total of the increase in loans and in cash; therefore the statement is technically out of proof. The required reserve was increased \$3,455,125 at the result of gain in deposits; this item deducted from the increase in cash leaves \$2,824,275 as the gain in surplus reserve which is now \$12,923,850. Calculated on the control of basis of deposits, less those of \$37,226,300 of public funds, the surplus is \$22,230,625. Circulation was increased by \$79,800 against \$2,700 in the previous week. Loans exceeded deposits by \$10,027,100 against \$15,041,800 in the week ending June 20. The average daily clearings were only \$188,000,000, where-

as in the previous week they were \$212,000,-000; this decrease largely reflects the star-nation in the stock market." Hard on Royalty.

New York Tribune.

"How royalty and their suites ever manage to survive those weary hours of standing is always a mystery to one," writes a contributor to an English society magazine. "'You get used to it in time,' say the maids of honor, but apparently not till they have been carried out two or three times in a faint do the gentlemen-at-arms, tightly buttoned up in uniforms and smothered in helmets get used to the ordeal. It is within the memory of many how, in Dublin, a certain distinguished viceroy, in the middle of a drawing room, gave the order to close the doors, and, having cleared the room, entire viceregal party sat down on the floor in various stages of collapse; and I often wonder how it is that our own King and Queen are not similarly overcome on these occasions. Royalty is the best paid profes-sion, but assuredly it must be also the most

Her Dearest Wish.

Woman's Home Companion. "Mamma," asked little Florence, the only sister of five older brothers, "when am I going to be a boy?"
"Why, never, dear. You are mamma's little girl. "Ain't I ever going to be a boy?"
"No. dear; girls can't be boye."

"Willie Jones was a girl, and now he's boy."

You don't want to be a boy. should we do without our little girl?" "Can't God make me a boy?" "No; God will never make you a boy." Florence walked away thoughtfully, at WASHINGTON.—Saturday's statement of the treasury balances in the general fund. that night, when she said her prayer, she added this petition: "If you can't make me a billy goot."

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Romances of the Missouri Boats and the Joys of Travel on Them.

Kansas City Star. In Rome stands the statue of Nilus, the river god, who presided over the destinies of the Nile. We old timers who derive so much profit and pleasure from steamboating on the Missouri would see somewhere upon the banks of this restless stream a figure commemorative of its departed glory. This waterway controlled the commerce of the West; it carried culture, creature comforts and necessities to pioneer settlers of the Missouri valley. The steamboats that plied its waters furnished the most satisfactory and luxurious mode of travel in those days. The elegantly furnished cabins, glistening chandellers. the music on deck or the piano in the ladies' saloon, sequestered nooks about the guards, the cozy corners in the cabins and upper deck—such surroundings incited and encouraged sentimental

chances of the situation, and that will be bad enough. A crop failure such as occurred two years ago would be something motions until this river and its craft became matchmakers. There would be, doubtless, a diversity of opinion as to an appropriate design for the god of the Missouri. Old Captain Blossom's fine figure should occupy the master's place to please some old timers, and Captain Kinney and others would have their adherents. Then there were the many "genial, gentlemanly appointing. The Western stock market conclerks," says Charley Keiser, who was the handsomest and most popular officer on the river in his day.

Then there were the many "genial, gentlemanly appointing. The Western stock market conclerks and then gave up like a good to the subscription. The gentlemanly appointing. The Western stock market conclerks, who was the hand and then gave up like a good to the subscription. The gentlemanly appointing. The Western stock market conclerks, who was the hand and then gave up like a good to the subscription. The gentlemanly appointing. The Western stock market conclerks, who was the hand and then gave up like a good to the subscription. The gentlemanly appointing to the subscription of the gentlemanly appointing to the subscription. The gentlemanly appointing to the subscription of the gentlemanly appointing to the subscription of the gentlemanly appointing to the subscription of the gentlemanly appointing to the gentlemanly appointing to the subscription of the gentlemanly appointing to the gentlemanl greeable features. Mosquitoes abounded in early autumn, and pierced impartially the downy cheek buy corn. The advances that have taken In spite of the enormous crop of corn that shocked new voyagers, but the experienced ones paid no attention to it. The mate's maledictions were especially flerce and forcible when the crew was "wooding up." They were then trotted in line, bending under heavy burdens and looking the picture of misery, but as soon as the boat swung loose from her moorings and glided grace-fully into midstream these same driven fellows. fully into midstream these same driven fellows began their singing and shuffling, or sprawled about the lower deck to snooze or play cards. I discouraging. Meanwhile our imports conknow that no votary who sits through a classiconcert is ever more thrilled with the "concord of sweet sounds" than were the passengers who stened to the mellow sounds of the deck hands at twilight or on moonlight nights as the boat moved gently along the river. It was a pleasure wen to hear, after nightfall, the resonant, rhythnic calls of the boatmen, with the lead line ounding the channel, "ten feet and a half," "mark twain," and so on. Do you remember the inexperienced substitute, who thought the main thing was to sing the same tune and whose first call was "just about the little red rag, skedaddle de day?" lays, and many a couple who started from the party of excursionists took it into their heads, when they reached Leavenworth, to marry. The prettiest romance of the old river, and yet the saddest, was the lovemaking and the marrying tendency in the general line of trade and manufacturing has already been observed.

Glime commanded the F. X. Aubrey, a fine steamer, named for the daring horseman who, on a wager of a thousand dollars, made the journey on ponies from the Plaza, in Santa Fe, to Independence, Mo., in eight days. This boat, which ran on the Missouri river between St. Louis and Omaha, had between the big chimneys on the hurricane deak an equestrian figure of on the hurricane deck an equestrian figure of passengers in this pleasant boat up stream no-ticed that we made an unusually long stop at the old tobacco manufacturing town, Brunswick. The clerk, Mr. Gillam, let us into the secret of the delay. He told us that Captain Glime's sweetheart lived there, and that they were to narried on the return trip. The captain, always courteous, seemed to double his efforts to make his passengers co fortable, and was light-hearted as a boy. I was told of the wedding, which took place as arranged; how beautiful the bride was in her white wedding dress, of the gay throng which accom-panied the couple to the wharf, and such other gossip of that day, that bright day, of over forty sars ago. The next chapter in this romance agan less than a year later. In 1859 Captain lime was master of the St. Nicholas, running etween St. Louis and New Orleans. In April of nat year the boat left her dock at St. Louis paded with freight for Southern ports, and, in addition to the usual passenger list, had aboard a party of ladies and gentlemen who were going to New Orleans as guests of Captain and Mrs. Glime. I suppose no merrier, more carefree company ever began a journey. After the St. Nicholas left Memphis and again turned her bow the passengers resumed their gayeties. Without warning the boilers exploded, tearing the forward part of the boat into fragments and setting fire to the stern, still affoat. The crew, passengers, Captain Glime, his wife and their guests hurled into the dark river. Many were forever lost to sight, but a few were rescued by negroes from the plantation of General Pillow, near by. In an improvised hospital in Memphis the injured and dead were placed, and there, on a cot side by side, were laid the bodies of the captain and his wife. cursionists—indeed, only one of all the passen-gers—escaped. This was Miss Ellen Kennedy, of he fire had burned the hair from her temples. While she was clinging still to the ring a man swam near her. He told her if she could sus-

and from them and many other friends came valuable gifts of jewelry and clothing.

Just Boys-at Bed Time. were grown-up minds in boys' bodies were it not that they reveal the untamable juvenile at bed-

time, never ready to go, and so extremely tolerant on the subject of unwashed hands and faces. No Tears on a Battleship. f. Dart Walker, in Leslie's Weekly. ressive ceremony, and the funerals of the unortunate young men who were killed on these two battleships were more solemn because their deaths were so sudden and so full of horror. Nine men of the Massachusetts died as the result of a thirteen-inch gun's explosion. They were buried at San Juan, Porto Rico, but before the as is the custom, on the quarter deck of the ship. Excepting on special occasions like this officers alone are permitted on this deck. In the presence of the admiral and other officers, standng with bared heads, and marines and blue ackets, a detail from each ship of the squadron. frawn up in line, the caskets containing the men who died were borne by men who had been their comrades on to the quarter deck. A band played a dirge, a quartet of sailors sang, and the chaplain prayed and spoke with solemn voice of the bravery of those who had suffered L death so cruel. The brawny men of the ships of war were standing silent, listening, their heads bowed, their sunburned faces motionless. But never a

ice and reverently buried.

The popular notion of a locomotive engineer is f a nerve-racked man who spends half his time under a fearful strain, cool, but aware of great langer, with one hand pulling open the throttle o the last notch, the other on the reverse lever, ready to back her, and with a word to his fireman to jump, himself to stick to his post. If this were so then all that I had been seeing elsewhere was exceptional. Well, it isn't so. se men are all very much alike; at bottom hey are of one type. Slow of speech, compos mind and body; intelligent, but not keen; ready, but not especially alert; they talk quietly, sensibly about their business. They don't know what "nerves" are, apparently. I found two at home on their "off day," and one was lying down, the other sitting idly, and it was plain they could rest; they could lie still, sit still, stand still. In other words they had the repose I had noticed in other master craftsmen. There is more true quietude in a locomotive cab than there is in the office of many an active bank president, much more than in a drawing room,

They read more than boys did thirty years ago. There is more to read now than we had, of course, and this has something to say in explaining the change. One boy of nine years has read all of "Grimm's Fairy Tales" three times. Neither he nor any of his boon companions, a more of them, has ever seen a Nickel Library. Think of that! They are ignorant of all the poble and thrilling exploits of the Red Rover and Old Sleuth; they never hunted grizzlies with Old Ike of the Yellowstone, nor boarded rich galleons with Erik the Pirate. I fear the kindergartens, catching them so young, have corrupted their taste for this delectable literature. They know more about the heroes of our navy than I have forgot. All the charming legendary stories about the great men of our are very wise. One might almost suspect they

The funeral of a sailor at sea is a most imodies were taken ashore the funeral was held, tear was shed, for tears and women have no place aboard a man-o'-war. The bodies were taken ashore in the captain's gig after the serv-

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vastly more than in a Pullman dining car.

take her to the shore, which was now near. She held to him awhile, and soon he was able to swim to the bank, saving her and himself. After recovering from her terrible injuries Miss Kennedy went to St. Louis. She received a great welcome from the generous citizens of St. Louis.

> Within the past three years the sky line of the lower end of Manhattan island, which embraces the Wall street district. has so changed as to be almost unrecogniz-

able by any one who has not unconsciously watched the alterations from week to week. More skyscrapers have been put up in the Wall-street district in the last three or four years than during the ten preceding years, and whereas only a few of those built in the preceding decade cut into the sky line nearly all of the recent erections figure conspicuously therein. The transformation which has occurred right in the heart of the Wall-street district makes the banking house of J. Pierpont Morgan & Co. look really shabby. Directly across the street is the new temple of speculation, otherwise the new Stock Exchange. Then there are the beautiful Blair building, just completed, at the corner of Broad street and Exchange place, and the monster Broad Exchange building, diagonally opposite. Speyer & Co. and Kuhn, Loeb & Co. have also erected expensive buildings in the neighborhood. In short, building opera-tions on a colossal scale have been epidemie in this community, and it would be impossible to estimate the aggregate of money thus expended within the past few years. It is significant to note that these handsome structures have been put up, so to speak, at the very top of a bull movement in the construction market, with labor, steel, real estate and material of every description at the highest prices that have prevailed for many years. If, as many shrewd observers believe, a reactionary tendency is now developing, these large in-

actual outlay. Hotel and cafe keepers, jewelers, yacht agents and others who profited enormously by the patronage of the Wall street class that made so much money on the bull market, are all complaining of a falling away of business. In the up-town places where stock market people used to foregather at night there is a marked contrast between the slim attendance nowadays and the throngs that only a year ago taxed the accommodations of these resorts. At the height of the speculative craze it was necessary for diners to reserve tables several ous, and has five leaves. It will help you to hours in advance of the dincer hour and remember which is the poisonous and which one of the largest uptown hotels was com-pelled to make a rule refusing to reserve as the index hand pointing "go;" that is,

vestments may experience a gradual

shrinkage for five or six years to come, and

it may be ten years or more before they

will again possess a value equivalent to the

There is but one kind of poison ivy known to botanists as Rhus toxicodendron). This has three leaves. Another climbing, trailing shrub of the same general appearance, on walls and rail fences, is the Virginia creeper. This is not poisontables after 7:30 o'clock. It is all very dif- the three leaves representing the three ferent now. Palm rooms and cafes present, parts of the index hand-thumb, forefinger, in comparison, a deserted appearance, and clasped fingers. Regard the five-leaved as there is no need to reserve tables and serv-

come of the shocking affair of Monday

Poison Ivy.